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25X1A9a 1. The KKE leaders held a meeting on 21 and 22 September, with Paul Pavlovic presiding. Pavlovic has replaced Ioannis Ioannides as the general secretary of KKE on orders of IKKI. Ioannides meanwhile has left for Yugoslavia on 15 September to go to Bulgaria for a discussion of the general situation with Georgi Dimitrov.

2. Constantine Karageorgis, editor of the Rizospastis, has been designated to a post in the press bureau, and Chrysev Vladimiro Petkov was named head of PKP, Advance Information Centers.

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3. It was said at the meeting that the tactics of Russia and the Slav Bloc are now directed primarily at gaining time. Similar delay tactics are to be used at the Big Four Conference scheduled for November. The reasons for the importance of the time factor are:

- To permit further experimentation with secret weapons.
- To permit further entrenchment of Soviet influence in countries not yet completely within the Soviet sphere.
- To give time for the extermination of the Opposition in those countries already within the Russian orbit.

4. Those present learned that Soviet experiments with secret weapons are generally not satisfactory. An aerial weapon known as B-1, however, has been developed with the aid of German scientists and German research material. A high Soviet official was said to claim the discovery of an atomic bomb more devastating than the atom bomb produced by America. Certain of those present at the meeting, however, believe this claim regarding the atomic bomb to be a bluff for morale purposes.

☒ Russia was actually anxious to terminate the right of the veto in the United Nations, but desires that termination be brought about by the Western Bloc. Russia was also said to be very anxious that the world be divided into two camps, because Russia believes any program of international cooperation would mean the blocking of the Communist program for world hegemony.

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Russia was desirous of placing the responsibility for the division of the world on the Western Bloc.

- Cyprus*
6. The liberation of Cyprus was being attempted by the Communist Party through AKEL and the influence of the Leftist clergy of the Orthodox Church. Strenuous efforts are being made to secure the election of Bishop Derkon to the post of Archbishop of Cyprus.
 7. The leaders of the Mikolajczyk party in Poland will be apprehended soon. This PSL group is considered to be working for American interests.
 8. The Communist Party claims that the Chetniks in Yugoslavia are not so numerous as supposed and will be disposed of as soon as Russia finishes its business with the UN.
 9. The terroristic activity of the Communist Party continues in Egypt and Italy in accordance with a larger plan to create discontent in all countries dominated by Great Britain or the United States.
 10. Terroristic activity is being carried out in Trieste in view of possible conflict between Yugoslavia and Italy.
 11. The Communist Party considers its program in France successful for the present.
 - we FB* 12. Soon after the announcement of the "Free Greek Government", EKKI plans to call for intensive offensive attacks on Macedonia, Epirus and Thrace, using foreign brigades for defensive action and border security. Two volunteer brigades with strength of 10,000 men are now in Ljubljana in Yugoslavia and will be used to guard the Turkish border. Volunteers for the Andarte Army are now being recruited in Transylvania and trained in Cluj, Rumania.
 13. Severe measures will be taken against the deserters and their families by the Andartes. EKE also plans to establish another secret radio station for use of the Andartes. EKE has allotted a sum of 20 million drachmae for dispatching to the Andartes and 30 million drachmae for the relief of the families of men fighting with the Andartes.
 - ww* 14. A EKE committee was designated to ascertain whether there has been any possible defection on the part of Bishops Joachim and Antonios.
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[REDACTED] Joachim, Bishop of Kozani, and Antonios, Bishop of Elia, both of whom have joined EAM, were recently reported to have visited Prime Minister Sophoulis with a memorandum stating their willingness to help the Greek Government in its pacification efforts.)
 - we* 15. A separate bureau was created for the surveillance of Left-wingers who are associating with Sophoulis. A man named Someritakis, an EKE leader who was formerly the legal associate of Tsirimokos, will meet with Pavlovic to attempt a reconciliation of EKE with EAM.
 16. The Greek consul will probably leave Skoplje for security reasons.

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17. Twenty-four former ELAS officers have been reported by the Deuxieme Bureau to have defected from the party to General Evangelos Kalabalikis and General Tsamakas. Two men named Kiaslas and Parathanasiou are believed to be among these.

25X1A6a [REDACTED] "newspaper reports (New York Times 19 September) tell of Generals Kalabalikis and Tsamakas placing themselves at the disposal of the Greek Government to fight the guerrillas.)

18. Nicholas Petrov, a Yugoslav captain, is scheduled to bring certain plans to the Party. He will come to Greece via Djevdjeli.
19. KOSGA members are being infiltrated into new battalions being formed from new recruits drafted by the Greek Government.

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